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Mr. Robert Cardillo Director National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency 7500 GEOINT Dr. Springfield, Virginia 22150

Re: Relocation of National Geospatial- Intelligence Agency in St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mr. Cardillo:

As the member of Congress representing the existing National Geospatial Agency in south St. Louis, I have long encouraged and supported the relocation of the new facility to the proposed site in North St. Louis. The undersigned distinguished colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in writing to support the relocation of the St. Louis NGA facility to the City's new proposed site.

As you are aware, the Army Corp's real estate evaluation and environmental assessment report was released finding the St. Louis site meets all of their requirements. The other two sites examined in St. Louis County did not meet all of their requirements. In a September 3, 2015 letter to you, St. Louis County Executive Steve Stenger withdrew the candidacy of the remaining two St. Louis County sites and fully endorsed retaining the NGA presence within the city of St. Louis.

NGA is a critical link in America's intelligence apparatus and the city of St. Louis site offers a unique opportunity to locate the new facility in an urban area with full access to necessary amenities while remaining near the current campus. The site not only meets the distinct requirements set forth in the NGA Request for Proposals, but also assists in the redevelopment of a distressed area of the first Congressional district.

The North St. Louis location has unsurpassed accessibility in close proximity to four interstate highways, many arterial roads in the city, the Metro Link Light Rail system, as well as bus service. The construction and work force in this area is fully capable of delivering a quality facility in a timely manner.

The Army Corp's environmental report noted: "The area "North side city site" would achieve major benefits from the project.....and the City is complementing their proposal to develop a sustainable community in the broader Northside Redevelopment" area.

We urge you to retain your presence in the City of St. Louis and look forward as Members of the U.S. House of Representatives Missouri Delegation to working with NGA toward this end.

Sincerely,

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